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Common Core, though begun as a sensible "STATE" initiative for the good of our children, has developed into complete FEDERAL government take over of our children's minds. The federal government and namely the Obama administration with the help of large corporations is blackmailing Boards of Education across the country into believing they MUST have this or completely fail as educators. Any "race to the top" is better accomplished by challenging school curriculums which fit each district. Districts do NOT have to have Federal Money to succeed. Each state should have the right to deem what is right for it's children's education. The Federal Government should stay out of our decisions about what is right for OUR children.

Please do NOT make Common Core Michigan's guideline. We can do much better.

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I would like this entered as public testimony:

We DO NOT want Common Core implented in the State of Michigan. The education of our children MUST be retained at the local level. We DO NOT want control of our schools to be taken out of the hands of our local school districts/boards. We DO NOT want a school system that is nationalized, or worse under the governance of the United Nations or other "world" entity. We DO NOT approve of data gathering/mining when it comes to our children and grandchildren. We DO NOT agree with our children be forced into a cookie cutter, one size fits all educational system.

PLEASE LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE, PARENTS,
GRANDPARENTS!

COMMON CORE is NOT a good thing for our children!

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The stated purpose of the Federal Administration's push for Common Core is for equal outcome for children's education. This is impossible since all children are not equal in their learning ability or motivation for an education. Therefore, any equality would be at the lowest level, and those children with a high ability and motivation would lose out.

The same result would be seen in the loss of higher educated professionals in the states that attempted to gain equality with other states that do not have the same value for education. All states are not equal in many ways!

Please vote to prevent Michigan from continuing with the "dumbing down" of our youth and allow our own schools to determine which use curriculum they teach by.

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